

III. REMARKS

The advisory action indicated that the Examiner is not quite satisfied with the difference applicant argued for, namely the freeing of memory space by the erasing of the notification. The claims have been amended to further specify that the notification contains the specific address and thus the contacting of the specific address. Therefore, the contacting based on the specific address is not only triggered by a signal lamp being turned on. The amended claims provide an improvement for use with voice mail where the voice mail number is the specific address and with the Multimedia Messaging Service (MMS) where the notification contains a URL associated with the message at a content server.

Since this feature is totally missing from the references, all claims are patentable.

Further, by providing the specific address within the notification message itself, no single contact address needs to be employed for all the different messages regardless of the types of the messages. Merely using a signal lamp to indicate incoming messages would not allow distinguishing between messages of different types. Instead, the user would be forced to always contact the same address. The claimed invention, however, enables assigning a different and even individual address for each message as is indicated in connection with the ring-tone example with a URL as the specific address, see page 11, lines 4 to 7.

New claims 36-38 further recite that the first information is a message intended for the terminal (claim 3), the message is one of those in claim 4, and further that the notification has a type

selected from a group of different types and corresponding to the type of the message intended for the terminal. This new addition is based on the application as a whole, especially page 5, lines 9 to 11 (to erase notification messages corresponding to a given system, the messages must be also suitably typed to that system), see page 5, lines 25 to 37.

Since this combination of features is missing from the references, these claims are additionally patentable.

The use of notifications indicative of the types of the messages they notify is particularly advantageous as the user can be simultaneously acknowledged of the type of a new message as well as of its existence. Further, subsequently all notifications for messages of a given type can be erased together as disclosed on page 5, lines 31 to 35.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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